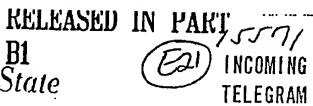
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R. LASTLY, ADOM INFORMED ZHANG THAT, PURSUANT TO THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION AS INDICATED IN HIS STATEMENT, THE EMBASSY IS RECOMMENDING THAT THE DEPARTMENT CONTACT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS TO PROVIDE NUMBERIAL REAM ASSISTANCE TO THOSE INJURED DURING RECENT VIOLENCE IN BEIJING. THE ADOM NOTED THAT THE U.S. WAS NOT ASKING ANY ACTIONS OF THE PRC GOVERNMENT BUT VISHED SIMPLY TO INFORM. ZHANG RESPONDED THAT HE HAD TAKEN NOTE OF THIS MATTER. LILLEY